

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SPECIALIST

NATURE OF WORK

Under general supervision performs work of considerable difficulty in the enforcement of laws and regulations pertaining to environmental health and sanitation.

TYPICAL DUTIES

Conducts inspections of various businesses such as restaurants, lounges, motels, hotels, markets, bottling plants, wholesale warehouses, schools, health care institutions, day care centers, trailer courts; approves plans, issues permits, and does inspections of individual sewage disposal systems; investigates public health nuisance complaints and achieves compliance through enforcement of state laws, ordinances, or regulations; collects samples as appropriate for laboratory tests and interprets the results; assists in the planning, development, and implementation of the county's solid waste management program; promotes public health through education and enforcement; performs other duties as required.

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS

Considerable knowledge of the principles and practices of public health sanitation; knowledge of environmental/health laws, regulations and codes at the federal, state, or local level and recognizes their application to specific problems; ability to recognize and control unsanitary conditions; ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with other staff members and the general public; ability to be firm, fair, and tactful in the enforcement of sanitation rules and regulations; ability to communicate effectively, both orally and in writing.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

The ideal candidate will be a Registered Sanitarian for the state of Arizona. In lieu of current registration, applicants must have thirty college semester credit hours in the natural sciences and be eligible to take the Arizona Sanitarian's Registration Examination. Candidates must also possess a valid Arizona driver's license, with a history of safe driving and have the ability to maintain a safe driving record.

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